

Abstract of the Disclosure

Methods and apparatus for publishing and subscribing information between entities on heterogenous networks. In a preferred embodiment an agent is provided that includes an interface for an entity that resides on the LAN and an interface to a WAN with a publisher/subscriber architecture. The WAN interface includes publisher and subscriber services for the entity on the LAN. Additionally, the agent may include a translator to translate between the protocols used by the platforms and systems on the LAN and WAN. Moreover, the translator may use XML to accomplish translations. Furthermore, the LAN protocol may be TDM and the WAN protocol may be an Internet protocol.